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JASON PETER ANDREW
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This application has received an Office Action on the merits but has not yet received either a final action or a Notice Of Allowance. Accordingly, this Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) and is accompanied by the \$180.00 fee specified at 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). Consideration of the art cited herein is accordingly deemed proper, and such action is respectfully requested. Accordingly, Applicants request that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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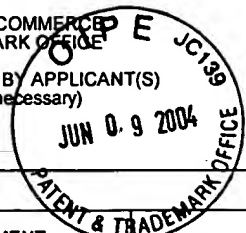
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